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Cisco™ CCNA: VLANs and VTP

VLANs - Points to Remember

- 1. VLAN 1 is the management VLAN.
- 2. **Static VLAN**: VLAN is statically assigned to the physical port and never changes.
- 3. Dynamic VLAN: VMPS automatically assigns VLAN based on MAC
- 4. Access Link: An access link can carry only one VLAN (used between host and switch port)
- 5. **Trunk Link**: A trunk link can carry multiple VLANs. Used to connect to other switches, routers, or servers
- 6. Two types of Trunk framing: ISL (Cisco only) and 802.1.q
- 7. Trunk links can carry 1 to 1005 VLANs
- 8. Switchport modes are trunk, dynamic desirable, dynamic auto, access.

VTP - Points to Remember

- 1. VTP is a Layer 2 messaging protocol. It carries configuration information throughout a single domain
- 2. VTP Modes are

Server: Create, modify, or delete VLANs (This is the deafult vtp mode on a switch) **Client**: Can't create, change, or delete VLANs

Transparent: Used when a switch is not required to participate in VTP, but only pass the information to other switches

- 3. VTP domain is common to all switches participating in VTP
- 4. Pruning is a technique where in VLANs not having any access ports on an end switch are removed from the trunk to reduce flooded traffic
- 5. **Configuration revision number** is a 32-bit number that indicates the level of revision for a VTP packet. Each time the VTP device undergoes a VLAN change, the config revision is incremented by one.

VLAN configuration

Creating VLANs

SW1#vlan database SW1(vlan)#vlan 10 name firstvlan SW1(vlan)#vlan 20 name secondvlan

Access Port configuration

SW1(config-if)#switchport mode access SW1(config-if)#switchport access vlan 10 SW1(config-if)#switchport access vlan 20

Access port config to a range of interfaces

SW1(config)#interface range fa 0/2 - 5 SW1(config-if)#switchport access vlan 10 SW1(config)#interface range fa 0/6 - 10 SW1(config-if)#switchport access vlan 20

Trunk Port configuration

SW1(config-if)#switchport mode trunk SW1(config-if)#switchport trunk encapsulation dot1q

VTP Configuration

SW1#vlan database

SW1(vlan)#vtp mode (Server/Client/Transparent)

SW1(vlan)#vtp domain <name>

SW1(vlan)#vtp password <password>

SW1(vlan)#vtp pruning

Troubleshooting commands

- 1. show vlan
- 2. show vlan-membership
- 3. show vtp status
- 4. show interfaces trunk
- 5. show interface <interface-name> switchport

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